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Mr. R. Nagan Gowda :—" In view of the fact that poultry is one of the chief subsidiary industries for agriculturists, will Government consider the question of making it a major proposition ? "

* The hon. the President :—" The hon. Member should not assign arguments. "

Mr. R. Nagan Gowda :—" Will the Government consider the desirability of opening poultry demonstration centres at each one of the districts ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" In reply to the hon. Member's question, I will refer him to the answer given in clause (c)."

Avocation pursued by the ex students of the Agricultural Middle School at Taliparamba.

* 1812 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) how many have passed out so far from the Agricultural Middle School at Taliparamba ;

(b) how many of these have taken to farming their own lands and how the others are employed ; and

(c) whether the Government propose to employ these men as assistants to Agricultural Demonstrators or to utilize their services for any other work ?

A.—(a) Sixty.

(b) Twenty-one are engaged in farming, two are on the plantations and nine are employed as teachers under local boards and other non-official agencies. No information is available regarding the rest.

(c) The object of the school is to train the sons of farmers who would go back to their lands and carry out thereon the improved methods of agriculture learnt at the school. It was never intended that these men should join Government service and the Director has in consonance with the avowed purpose of the school, been rejecting all suggestions for appointing them. Further, the students who pass out of the school do not come from classes who would accept the posts of demonstration maistris.

Mr. A. B. Shetty :—" May I ask whether a sufficient number of young men are seeking admission to this school at Taliparamba ? "

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar :—" I do not know, Sir."

Fisheries

Cost of bringing the trawler in charge of Captain Cribb from Bombay to Calicut.

* 1813 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether the trawler in charge of Captain Cribb was brought to Calicut from Bombay in November last ; and

(b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, what is the value of fish caught and the amount of expenditure involved in bringing the trawler to Calicut and its working on the seas ?